

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2759 - HB 2583

March 14, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Clarifies and reorganizes the alimony and child support statutes. Adds a provision to terminate alimony upon death of the recipient. One change will allow courts to order child or spousal support under Title IV-D to be paid other than by income assignment to the central collections unit of the Department of Human Services just as non-Title IV-D cases are now.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact - May allow certain cases of income assignment to be made outside the central collection system. Such a change may put the state in non-compliance with Federal requirements leading to a penalty of approximately \$1,900,000 in the first year and up to \$9,500,000 in the third year.

According to the Department of Human Services, changes to the existing law made by this bill could place the state out of compliance with Federal law. Such changes could lead to penalties levied by the Federal government, after findings of non-compliance on the part of the state, of up to 2% of federal funding in the first year up to 5% in the third year.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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